# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## **FISCAL NOTE**

### HR 23

March 4, 2021

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes the Speaker of the House of Representatives to appoint a committee of five members to meet with a like committee from the Senate to consider the removal of Ellen Hobbs Lyle from the office of Chancellor of the Twentieth Judicial District.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Other Fiscal Impact – A joint committee meeting will not take place without the passage of a similar Senate Resolution. In that occurrence, this resolution would result in an increase in state expenditures of \$4,050 if the proceedings occur outside of the regular annual session. In the event an extraordinary session is required, the increase in state expenditures for member per diem and travel reimbursement is \$28,200 per day. Otherwise, the fiscal impact of this resolution is not significant.

#### Assumptions:

- Per the language of this resolution, the House portion of the committee will consist of five House members.
- It is unknown how many meetings will take place or the dates, thereof.
- It can be reasonably assumed that there will be at least two days of proceedings.
- Members will receive a per diem of \$295 per day for each committee meeting outside of session.
- Members will receive \$0.47 per mile roundtrip; the average miles travelled per member is estimated to be 234 miles roundtrip. The average mileage reimbursement for each meeting is estimated to be \$110 (\$0.47 per mile x 234 miles).
- The total cost per legislative member for each meeting is estimated to be \$405 (\$295 per diem + \$110 mileage).
- There can be an increase in state expenditures to exceed \$4,050 (5 members x \$405 x 2 meetings), if a similar Senate Resolution calling for the creation of a joint committee passes.
- If the committee votes "for recommending removal", the speakers are required to convene a joint convention of the General Assembly.
- It is unknown if or when a convening will occur, if the timing will occur during a regular annual session or if an extraordinary session will be convened, and how many days will be required. In the event an extraordinary session is required, the total increase to state

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expenditures for member per diem and travel reimbursement is \$28,200 per day of extraordinary session.

# **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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